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Situation in Darfur

- The Government of South Darfur HQ was surrounded yesterday by hundreds Turjum tribe members in objection to the killing of 60 of its members following clashes with the Rizeigat tribe. Turjum representatives called on the ministers of Defense and Interior to visit the region and assess the situation. The Turjum tribe further demanded that an investigation should be conducted to identify who provided arms to the Rizeigat tribe during the attacks. Meanwhile, the Wali (governor) of South Darfur Atta Al-Manan described the situation in Darfur as “about to fall apart unless security arrangements are implemented as stipulated in the Abuja peace agreement.” The Wali further added that an investigation will be conducted in collaboration with Al-Fasher authorities regarding the involvement of border intelligence units in the recent incident. (*Al-Rai Al-Aam*)

- An African Union (AU) helicopter was fired upon by unidentified assailants while flying over Darfur, according to statement issued by the AU ceasefire commission yesterday. The helicopter was carrying the AU Deputy Force Commander from Zalingei in West Darfur to Al-Fasher, the capital of North Darfur. The helicopter attacked in the area near Kurni. AU spokesperson Nourredine Mezni said in a statement that AU Force Commander Maj. Gen. Luke Aprezi chaired a meeting early Sunday and ordered an investigation into the incident to determine those responsible. (AP, *Al-Ayaam*)

Sudan-US Relations

- US Special Envoy for Sudan Andrew Natsios is expected to hold a meeting with UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon on Monday. The meeting will focus on the nature of what appear to be concessions made by Sudan on the AU-UN hybrid

force during the recent Arab Summit. An announcement was made by the Saudi Foreign Minister stating that al-Bashir had agreed to let UN forces into Darfur, describing it as a “breakthrough.” (*Sudan Tribune*)

SLM to Bury Victims of Omdurman Incident

- The Sudan Liberation Movement (SLM) will bid farewell today to members killed in Omdurman last week during clashes with the police. A procession is scheduled to take place from the Khartoum morgue and head towards the SLM HQ in Omdurman, followed by the burial in Al-Margheeyat. It is expected that several members of the government will attend the funeral procession. (*Al-Sudani*)

Oil Revenues for February

- Undersecretary of the Ministry of Finance Al-Shiek Ahmed Al-Mak announced yesterday that the total oil revenue in February amounts to \$177.2 million, of which the National Government’s share is \$116.5 million and the Government of South Sudan’s share is \$60.7 million dollars. (*Khartoum Monitor*)

Quote of the Day

“We took the strategic option of peace, and we abide by it.” – SLM Secretary General Mustafa Teirab

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